

## MAKING COMMENTS

Making comments on what children are doing or interested in helps engage children in conversations. Here are some examples of comments you can make to promote meaningful conversations with children.



### COMMENT ON WHAT CHILDREN ARE DOING.

- Carrots. You like carrots.
- Uh oh! The block fell down!
- You're washing the baby.



### TALK ABOUT WHAT CHILDREN INTERESTS AND EXPERIENCES.

- You want to be a fire fighter.
- That looks like your puppy.
- This dragon has a loud roar.



### CONNECT TO CHILDREN'S LIVES.

- Your tower is very tall – like the building across the street.
- Your mommy has a bicycle too!
- Remember, we saw a panda when we went to the zoo.

### LINK TO WHAT CHILDREN ALREADY KNOW.

- Two shoes – for two feet.
- This is the same color as your shirt.
- An ocean is a body of water – like a lake but much bigger.

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